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FREDERICKSBURG MEETING FEATURES MILITARY HISTORY

Ronald Shibley, Executive Director of the Historic Fredericksburg Foundation will be the featured speaker at the twelfth semi-annual MARAC luncheon on Friday, April 29, at 12:30 PM. Approximately 200 members and their guests will gather for the historic occasion, marking the 116th anniversary of the Civil War battle that took place there. Shibley's remarks will include a thumbnail sketch of the battle and the battlefield and its environs, and should prove to be both stimulating and educational. This military theme will also be evident on Saturday morning with a three-way discussion on Sources in Modern Military History featuring Anthony Crawford, Archivist of the George C. Marshall Foundation; Bill Cunliffe, an archivist in the Modern Military Records Branch at the National Archives; and Edward J. Boone, Jr., Acting Director of the MacArthur Memorial. The session will outline various ways the archival community has made it more interesting and stimulating for the researcher of modern military history to investigate fascinating subtopics in the world of military history. Those who attend the conference can also visit Historic Fredericksburg, the battlefield, and Chatham Estate. Additional information concerning maps, prices, and hours will be available at the Local Arrangements Desk.

Complete program information should already have reached you.

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THE CREST: A HELMET CHARGED WITH A DEMI RODENT RAMPANT, BEARING IN HIS SINISTER FOREPAW A THREE - PART - FORM, CRUSHED; ALL PROPER.

THE ARMS: OR., A BEND VERDES, BETWEEN THREE CUPS, GULES, IN BASE; SIX WOODRUFFS CHECKY, CONJOINED, PROPER, IN CHIEF.

THE MOTTO: OBLIVISCO...

MARAC BUSINESS MEETING

The Program Committee has selected 4:45 PM on Friday, April 28th for the MARAC business meeting. Jim Sweeney, the Program Chairman, recently announced that his committee also scheduled time for local meetings on Saturday afternoon, April 29th. Any interested group can make arrangements to meet at that time by contacting Jim Sweeney at (804) 489-6610.

Born:

KAREN DIANNE HARRISON
March 16, 1978. 8 lbs.
at Hutchinson, Kansas.
Mother and father doing fine. Grandfather doing terrible.

maa ANNOUNCES NEW CONTEST

Oldtimers will recall that MARAC once had a contest for a motto. We came across this coat of arms the other day. It would be labeled in honor of the stack rat. Should readers examine it more carefully, they may wish to relabel the three coffee breaks as "10," "2," and "4;" there are five Woodruff boxes, not six; and, the rodent holds the form in his right forepaw, not the sinister one. However, it's the best (only) one we've seen so far. Therefore, it is entry number one in a new contest. Who will submit number two? D.F.H.

The mid-atlantic archivist is an occasional publication of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference (MARAC). MARAC membership includes all interested individuals who live and work in the seven states of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia. MARAC seeks to promote the professional welfare of its members, cooperates with and exchanges information among individuals interested in the preservation and use of archival research and methodology, provides a forum for matters of common concern, is a clearinghouse for and an active participant in joint ventures and cooperative projects, and cooperates with other organizations having similar objectives. Individual membership dues are \$3.00 per annum. Membership is not open to institutions, but institutions may purchase subscriptions to the mid-atlantic archivist for \$3.00 per annum. Write: Martha C. Slotten, MARAC Secretary, Library, Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania 17013. Items submitted for maa should be single-spaced, no indentation, in columns 4 1/2" wide, written on pica type, double-spaced between paragraphs. Send to: Donald F. Harrison, maa Editor, National Archives (NNR), Washington, D.C. 20408



Editorial Staff:

- Don Harrison, Editor
- Bruce Ambacher, Associate Editor
- Mary Boccaccio
- Mary Elizabeth Ruwell

RESTORATION VS. INFORMATION

The Fall 1977 issue of EASY ACCESS: THE NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTHWEST ARCHIVISTS, contains an exchange between Jack Thompson, its preservation columnist, and Larry Hackman, Deputy Director of NHPRC and a MARAC Steering Committee member. In the Summer 1977 EASY ACCESS, Mr. Thompson called for more grants "for actually restoring and increasing the intrinsic value of collections" (i.e. documents as artifacts).

Larry Hackman responded that grants for conservation and restoration are available but the "Commission's emphasis must be on the preservation and improved access to the information in records (as through microfilm projects), and not their artifact value."

Mr. Thompson rejoined that the needs of scholarship and conservation would be better served if more grant money were earmarked for actual restoration and less "sloughed off into yet another series of workshops, however good they may have been." He feels the actual document or book, rather than a microfilm publication, conveys "a sense of time and place, a sense of history available to the scholar in no other way."

The underlying archival concepts will continue to compete for available funds.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on deposit 10/25/77	\$3,964.43
Income: Memberships 124 @ \$3	372.00
Return of Oglebay Park advance	300.00
Oglebay Park profit	76.02
Misc.	2.00
	4,714.45
Disbursements:	
Postage	13.00
B. Hearn (Flowers-A.M.Campbell)	22.63
Newsletter printing	70.96
	106.64
Balance on deposit 2/3/78	4,607.81

**MARAC-SOA Joint Conference
Oglebay Park Statement**

Credits:		Debits:	
MARAC (Advance) 300.00		MARAC (Refund) 300.00	
Hollinger Corp. 150.00		Postage 105.00	
Registration 1,281.15		Printing 13.47	
		Lunch 10/28 417.15	
		Lunch 10/29 331.20	
		Coffee & Donuts 207.00	
		Hospitality	
		Suite 104.00	
		Mansion Museum	
		Tour 41.25	
		Supplies 54.47	
		Food for Suite 12.44	
		Misc. 24.50	
	1,731.15		1,610.48
Balance			120.67
		Refund check to MARAC 1/27/78	76.02
		Refund check to SOA 1/27/78	44.65
			.00

Number of registrants:		The non-members and joint members (33) was divided to obtain the percentages for refunding the balance. The percentages are:
MARAC 74		MARAC 63%
SOA 36		SOA 37%
Non-members or joint members	33	
	143	

**SEMINAR ON THE ADMINISTRATION
OF PHOTOGRAPHIC COLLECTIONS**

The American Association for State and Local History will offer a Seminar on the Administration of Photographic Collections at the Rochester Museum and Science Center, Rochester, New York. The seminar will emphasize the appropriate uses of photographic collections, curatorial care, public access, copyright, reproduction rights, use fees, acknowledgement, publication and staff training. It is open to just twenty-five participants. The application deadline is March 27th for the May 7-11 seminar. For further information contact:

American Association for State and Local History
1400 Eighth Avenue South
Nashville, Tennessee 32703

MARAC STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Steering Committee met at the Sheraton Motor Inn, Fredericksburg, on Monday, February 6, 1978 at 10:30 AM, with Barbara Hearn in the chair. Present were Jim Sweeney, Bruce Ambacher, Leonard Rapport, Adele Lerner, Stephanie Morris, Nancy Zembala, and Peter Parker.

Barbara welcomed us all and determined that, despite the snow, there were enough of us to constitute a quorum. Peter Parker gave the Treasurer's report which is included elsewhere. MARAC's funds are still in checking because we have yet to receive from the IRS a statement granting us tax-free status. Application has been made.

There were no reports from the Budget Committee nor on the status of MARAC's archives. Ellen Hassig's files for the Oglebay Park meeting are to be forwarded to Mary Boccaccio.

Bruce Ambacher reported that the January Newsletter has been printed and sent to Martha Sloten for distribution to the state representatives; Martha lacks mailing labels. Discussion then turned to other mailings. A question was raised about the bulk mailing permit; a copy of the IRS letter is to be forwarded to the Newsletter editor as soon as it is in hand so that application for the permit can be made. Hopefully, permission for bulk mailing will be granted by the end of February (It was not). All agreed that the new Constitution should be distributed to the members piggy-back with the registration mailing for the Fredericksburg meeting. Jim Sweeney plans that mailing by the end of March. It was urged that the committee on the Constitution should complete revisions to the Constitution and the By-laws before that mailing.

Barbara then presented Karen Paul's Nominating Committee report. The canvas for nominations is included in the January Newsletter. Ballots will be mailed by the state representatives by March 1, 1978. A general discussion of membership problems followed. Several people reported that they had heard of new members being miffed by MARAC's failure to acknowledge their memberships. It was suggested that a form of acknowledgement be prepared. Others suggested that the form be sent by the secretary to the appropriate state representative when a new member joins, that the state representative record the name of the new member and add a personal greeting to the individual. All agreed that the secretary should prepare a new membership directory to be distributed by bulk mailing. It was suggested that the directory should bear an "as of" date.

The membership committee presented no report.

Stephanie Morris asked the Steering Committee whether the MARAC membership list could be used for mailings for a conservation workshop being held at the College of Physicians of Philadelphia. The request was approved by unanimous resolution.

Leonard Rapport presented the report of the Custer Award Committee: there would be no award for 1977 because there

were no submissions. Leonard then reported that the Committee wished to change the eligibility rules. A copy of the Custer Committee's recommendations is attached. While the Steering Committee concurred with the Custer Committee's desire that the award be used to upgrade the quality of presentations at MARAC meetings the Steering Committee expressed serious reservations about increasing the amount of the award to \$300. It also recommended that the Custer Committee consider only publishable, rather than "potentially" publishable papers.

Barbara Hearn then presented Beverly Brannan's report for the Editorial Advisory Board. Generally the Committee agreed with the Board's recommendations that 1,000 to 1,500 copies of our first Occasional Publication be printed, that fifteen be given to the author, that copies be distributed for review by professional journals. All questioned the propriety of creating a special publication account to facilitate printing. It was urged that the Board prepare its guidelines on standards, mandated by a membership minute of May 12, 1977. It was the sense of the Steering Committee that both technical and editorial guidelines should be prepared before any payments were authorized; as one member put it: "No show, no dough."

Barbara then informed the Committee that Adele Newburger has agreed to act as Local Arrangements Chairperson for Baltimore. Adele asked for the sense of the Committee concerning whether MARAC would meet at the Lord Baltimore Hotel on October 20-21 or at the Statler on November 3-4, 1978. The Committee decided upon the October 20-21 dates at the Lord Baltimore.

Jim Sweeney reported that the Local arrangements for the Fredericksburg meeting were well in hand and that the program committee hoped to meet on February 7. Jim read the proposed program which secured the Steering Committee's approval. Jim noted that the program would be included in the registration package mailing.

The Steering Committee then turned to consideration of future meeting sites. Jim Sweeney brought to our attention letters from the Mayor and Chamber of Commerce of Norfolk, Virginia, inviting MARAC to meet there in 1979. It was suggested that we consider Norfolk as one of the recommended sites for the fall of 1979, and that the membership be asked to decide between Norfolk and Wilmington, Delaware. For the Spring of 1979 three sites will be proposed to the membership: Albany, NY; West Point, NY; and Newark, NJ. The Committee considered whether MARAC should hold a joint meeting with the New England Archivists and with the Lake Ontario Conference. Barbara was instructed to write the New England Archivists for alternative meeting sites.

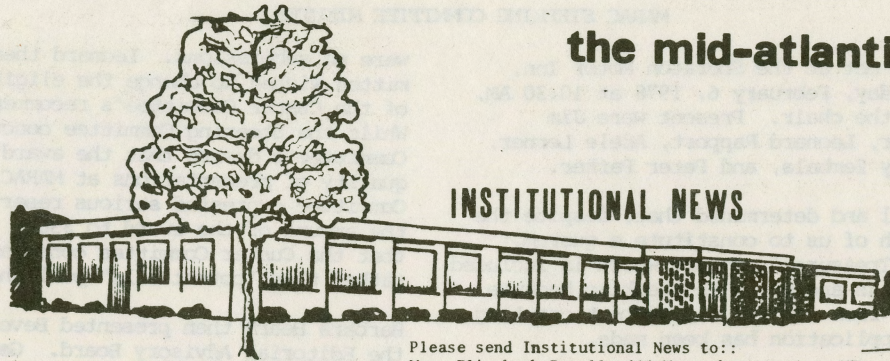
The meeting adjourned at 12:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter J. Parker
Acting Secretary

PUBLIC RECORDS ACT UPHELD

In Holton v. Yudkin, a Virginia court upheld the constitutionality of the state's Public Records Act and ordered an Alexandria, Virginia, Receipt Book returned to the city rather than permit its sale by a manuscript and book dealer. Lawyers for the book dealer questioned the constitutionality of the Act. The decision upheld the Act and stated

that the Receipt Book "was created as a public record and as such was the property of the . . . city, and that having been created as a public record it is and remains a public record and the property of the aforesaid city, unless or until it is or has been abandoned or otherwise disposed of by authorization of the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia."



INSTITUTIONAL NEWS

Please send Institutional News to:
Mary Elizabeth Ruwell, 644 Massachusetts Ave, NE
Washington, D.C. 20002.

PEOPLE

The Washington area MARAC cradle has been steadily rocking lately. Property of LEONARD RAPPORT, whose own use of it ended two decades ago, the cradle has recently rocked many sons and daughters of National Archives employees. In January, it moved to MAYGENE and Steve DANIELS' home to receive EDWARD FROST DANIELS (born on Trudy Peterson's birthday, January 25). Unfortunately, there was not enough time lapse to send it to the daughter of EDITH JAMES and MIKE McREYNOLDS, Lisa James, who was born in February.

Leonard is accepting bookings from MARAC members in the Washington area on a first-come, first-served basis for the second and subsequent calendar quarters of 1978. It insures an impeccable provenance.

JOHN SWEENEY, coordinator of research at Winterthur, has assumed the duties of assistant secretary of the Friends of Winterthur.

Mrs. GLENIS LEVIN has been appointed as Assistant to SISTER AGNES ELLIOTT in the Archives Office of Marymount Manhattan College, 221 East 71st Street, New York, NY 10021.

DAVID R. KEPLEY, formerly an archivist with the U.S. Forest Service, has joined Bob Plowman at the Federal Archives and Records Center in Philadelphia. Mr. Kepley holds an M.A. in American History and is completing his doctoral dissertation at the University of Maryland.

JANE RAMSEY has been appointed Records Researcher the the Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia.

C. (FRED) COKER of the National Archives has been appointed to succeed CAROLYN SUNG as head of the Manuscripts reading room at the Library of Congress.

PROJECTS AND EVENTS

A Checklist of the Collection of the Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution, Second Edition, Revised, Sept., 1977 is available for \$7 from the ARCHIVES OF AMERICAN ART, Room 331, National Portrait Gallery, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., 20560.

A limited number of copies of an introduction to the NEW YORK HOSPITAL - CORNELL MEDICAL CENTER ARCHIVES in New York, issued in conjunction with its formal opening last year, is available free of charge. Contact Adele Lerner at (212) 472-5759 for further information.

The PHILADELPHIA JEWISH ARCHIVES CENTER has completed its Guide to the Philadelphia Jewish Archives Center. The guide is published by the Federation of Jewish Agencies of Greater Philadelphia. The forty page guide to 170 organized collections is indexed by proper names and important subject headings and is available for \$2.

The URBAN ARCHIVES CENTER OF TEMPLE UNIVERSITY has received a grant of \$15,650 for a one-year Philadelphia Historical Records Field Work project. The primary goal is to identify and preserve non-public records in the areas of housing, planning, social services, economic development, criminal justice, education and politics. John Alviti has been appointed Field Worker and will locate, examine and arrange for transfer to the Archives the records held by individuals who have been involved in various local issues and organizations.

The WINTERTHUR Museum curators are holding a monthly object identification on the third Wednesday of each month from 1 to 4 PM. The curators will give their opinions verbally about objects made between 1600 and 1850 which relate to the Museum collections of furniture, metals, glass, ceramics, textiles, paintings and graphics. No estimate of market values will be given. So if you might be in Delaware, call Miss Justine Mataleno at 656-8591, extension 257, to reserve a time.

The Joint Committee on Research in Philanthropy, established by the Foundation Center and the Council on Foundations, has a mandate to increase the quality and quantity of research on philanthropic activities and institutions. It has compiled a list of scholars pursuing research in this area, assisted scholars in planning and obtaining support for new projects, and plans both a conference on philanthropy and an annotated bibliography of research in philanthropy.

A recent survey of foundations indicates that few are practicing proper records management or archival procedures. Lawyers and auditors, rather than trained professionals are establishing and implementing policies in these areas. The Committee believes many university libraries and regional historical societies would be interested in serving as depositories for foundation archives. The foundations will pay necessary expenses for processing the materials. If your institution is interested in such an arrangement, and would like to be included on a list of repositories to be distributed to the members of the Council on Foundations, please contact:

Mr. Hugh F. Cline
Chairman
Joint Committee on Research in Philanthropy
The Foundation Center
Educational Testing Service
Princeton, New Jersey 08540

ARCHIVES ADMINISTRATION

Meyer Fishbein will continue to offer a course in the History and Administration of Archives at the American University. For further information contact:

Mr. Steven Sugar
Continuing Education Department
American University
204 McKinley Building
Washington, D.C. 20016

RECORDS APPRAISAL

The Michigan Archival Association has Records Appraisal, containing three papers presented at its 1975 meeting. The papers are: "The Appraisal of Public Records," "Uses of History and Theory in the Appraisal of Business Records," and "Appraisal of Manuscripts." The publication is available from:

Mr. Frank Wilheme
Secretary of MAA
Historical Society of Michigan
2117 Washtenaw Ave.
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

LIST OF APPRAISERS

The SAA Committee on Collecting Personal Papers and Manuscripts has compiled a list of appraisers. To obtain a copy send a self-addressed business-size envelope to:

SAA Committee on Collecting
Personal Papers and Manuscripts
Manuscripts Department
University of Virginia Library
Charlottesville, Virginia 22901

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission recommended \$561,408 in support of historical records and publications projects at its February 23, 1978, meeting. The following grants were made to projects in the MAPAC area:

NEW YORK:

New York Public Library Performing Arts Center:
\$14,045 for arrangement and description of six manuscript collections in the field of American dance.
Albany County: \$9,235 for a survey of selected county records, transfer of records of archival value to safe storage, and preparation and publication of an inventory of the county archives.
New York Public Library Manuscripts Division:
\$37,000 (\$18,500 in matching grants) for microfilming the H.L. Mencken and Fiorello H. La Guardia collections.
City of Schenectady: \$1,750 for microfilming the Schenectady City Council minutes, 1798-1905.
City of Rochester: \$18,500 for preservation and description of photographic prints, glass negatives, lantern slides, and nitrate negatives documenting the city from 1850 to 1950.

NEW JERSEY:

Newark Public Library: \$15,553 for preservation and preparation of a reference microfilm and a finding aid to photographs in the New Jersey Picture Collection in the Newark Public Library.
New Jersey Historical Society: \$16,825 for a survey and selective accessioning into New Jersey repositories of records of business firms and labor organizations in Newark.
Fairleigh-Dickinson University: \$65,000 for a two-year project to publish in microform the papers of Phillip Mazzei, a Revolutionary War writer, diplomat, and international proselytizer for American independence.

PENNSYLVANIA:

Franklin Institute: \$62,500 for a two-year project to publish a microfiche edition entitled "The Franklin Institute and the Making of Industrial America."
University of Pittsburgh Press: \$8,400 for the Papers of Robert Morris, volume 4.
Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission: \$10,000 for the Papers of Henry Bouquet, volume 4.

DELAWARE:

Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs:
\$16,844 to establish an automated data base management system for information about the archival holdings of the state.

MARYLAND:

University of Maryland and Pace University, New York City: \$48,491 for the Samuel Gompers Papers.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA:

National Council of Negro Women: \$34,715 for preservation, arrangement and description of the records of the National Council from 1938 to 1959 which were uncovered in the Mary McLeod Bethune House, for the appraisal of NCNW records elsewhere, and for planning for a future archival program of the NCNW and affiliated organizations.
Leadership Conference of Women Religious: \$7,400 supplementary grant to conduct two additional introductory archival workshops for archivists of religious orders.

VIRGINIA:

Hollins College: \$2,441 for arrangement, description, and microfilming of the papers of Ella Reeve "Mother" Bloor, who was involved in various radical movements in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.
University Press of Virginia: \$6,090 for the Papers of George Washington, Diaries, volume 4.

BACK ISSUES, ANYONE?

With the exception of four issues, the Winterthur Estate Archives has a complete run of the American Archivist. The Estate is willing to exchange duplicates or purchase these missing issues:

- vol 6 no 3 (1943)
- vol 8 no 2 (1945)
- vol 9 no 4 (1946)
- vol 10 no 4 (1956)

Contact Barbara Hearn at Winterthur Estate Archives, Winterthur, DEL 19735.

URBAN THESAURUS

The Baltimore Region Institutional Studies Center (BRISC) announces the publication of its Urban Thesaurus: A Vocabulary for Social Documentation. The 448 page hardbook volume is available for \$25 from Greenwood Press. A paperback version is in preparation.

REFEREED FILES: QUESTION

A scientific journal will soon deposit its editorial and correspondence files. The editorial files contain referees' comments regarding publication of submitted articles. The comments have been written in the strictest confidence.

I would like to know what kinds of agreements have been made with donors of such files, and what policies have been drawn up regarding access to safeguard this common editorial problem.

If response warrants, I will be happy to report on the response in a future issue of maa

Evert Volkensz, Head, Department of Special Collections, SUNY Library, Stony Brook, New York 11794

MARAC WELCOMES . . .

The following have joined MARAC since the new membership directory (which you will receive shortly) went to press:

Isabelle Pingree, Providence, R.I.

Constance Derrell, Chairperson,
Archives Committee
American College of
Nurse Midwives
Corona, NY 11368

Sister M. Sylvia Connell, RSM
Province Archivist
Sister of Mercy Archives
Dallas, Pa. 18612

Machine-readable Vocabulary: (circle one)

1. Transactional Analysis is that branch of systems analysis which deals with updating master files.
T F
2. The optimal process whereby an entire master file is updated in one step is called a unicycle.
T F

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"OBEY THE TEN COMMANDMENTS"

On May 31, 1977, the Travis County, Texas, Grand Jury returned an indictment against Ronald E. Wade for felony theft of documents from the Texas State Archives and the University of Texas Archives in 1975. Wade, convicted of felony theft of documents from the Special Collections Department of the UCLA Library in August 1976, was released in June 1977 from the Los Angeles County jail.

Wade entered a plea of guilty to the charges of felony theft from the Texas institutions when he appeared in the 147th State District Court on July 27, 1977. He received two four-year probated sentences after he indicated that he intended to study for the ministry. The judge ordered Wade to "obey the ten commandments -- especially one, and you know which one it is." The judge made no reference to the seriousness of the crime and made no rebuke of any kind to Wade.

ARCHIVAL SECURITY

Two recent publications dealing with archival security are available from the Society of American Archivists: The IBI LAW ENFORCEMENT BULLETIN, July 1977, is entitled "Stealing America's Heritage! Theft of Documents From Archives and Libraries."

The SAA's July 1977 National Register of Lost or Stolen Materials is also available through:

The SAA Archival Security Program
P.O. Box 8198
University of Illinois at Chicago Circle
Chicago, Illinois 60680

LITTLE-KNOWN FILM RESOURCE

The National Archives and Records Service Stock Film Library remains a little-known and under-exploited public resource. The Library contains over 12,000 reels of film totaling just under one million feet from dozens of government agencies. The major contributor is the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Most of the film, which is recent and in color, was acquired for both its historic value and its photographic quality. For further information contact:

Stock Film Library
National Archives and Records Service
1411 S. Fern Street
Arlington, Virginia 20408

MARAC MEMBERSHIP

MARAC's membership year runs from October 1 to September 30.. MARAC Secretary Martha Slotten recently announced that if you joined and/or paid the current year's dues before February 25, 1978, you should shortly receive a copy of the current membership directory. You should also be receiving copies of the mid-atlantic archivist quarterly. Address any inquiries regarding membership to Martha (see page 2 for her mailing address).

Former Members of Congress, a nonprofit bipartisan organization, has recently been granted \$108,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities for recording the "Oral History of the Modern Congress." The interviews with former members will be carried out by trained oral historians around the country under the direction of Charles T. Morrissey. Oral history tapes and transcripts from this first major oral history of the Congress

will be housed in the Library of Congress. Microfiche copies will be available to academic institutions and public libraries from the New York Times Microfilming Corporation of America. Funds have also been received from the FMC auxiliary, individuals, and Ford Motor Company. An Academic Advisory Board for the program is chaired by Dr. Forrest Pogue, Director of the Eisenhower Institute at the Smithsonian Institution.

BOOK REVIEWS

Fred W. McDarrah, editor, *STOCK PHOTO AND ASSIGNMENT SOURCE BOOK: WHERE TO FIND PHOTOGRAPHS INSTANTLY*. New York: R.R. Bowker Co., 481 pages, \$19.95 paperback.

Fred W. McDarrah, the Picture editor of the *Village Voice*, has assembled an extensive sourcebook containing 4,000 entries arranged in eight sections: General Sources, Business Sources, Historical Sources, Official Sources, Public Information Sources, Media Sources, Reference Sources, and Technical Matters. Items in each section are arranged geographically, then alphabetically. Each citation includes name, address, telephone, personnel in charge of photos, and picture file information (coverage dates, volume, type, restrictions, availability of a catalog).

The General Sources section contains a directory of agencies here and abroad and a listing of photographers who maintain stock files of their work.

The Technical Matters section contains information on copyright, how to secure approval for use, and standard release forms.

ON THE GLORIOUS HILL WINS PRIZE

ON THE GLORIOUS HILL, a short informal history of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, published in 1976, has been awarded the Concordia Historical Institute's Certificate of Award. The certificate calls the work by A. Roger Gobbel and Donald and Elaine C. Matthews "distinguished by its refreshing historical candor, and engaging anecdotal style, and an imaginative use of period visuals, documents, and quotations."

"ARCHIVAL TRAINING IN PRUSSIA"

The National Archives and Records Service has published a new booklet entitled "Archival Training in Prussia." Translated from a speech by Albert Brackmann at the XXII Conference on Archivists in 1931, this booklet details the extensive testing and training programs for Prussian archivists in the 1930s. While perhaps too specialized, the booklet does offer some insight into early ideas of archival standards in training. (Superintendent of Documents No. GS 4.12: Staff Information Paper No. 1)

John H. Martin, editor, *THE CORNING FLOOD: MUSEUM UNDER WATER*, Corning, New York: Corning Museum of Glass, 1977. 72 pages \$6.00.

Dr. Martin, the deputy director of administration for the Corning Museum of Glass, edited this reference book to assist other institutions prepare for, or recover from, flood damage like the Corning Museum suffered in June 1973 when Tropical Storm Agnes left it under over five feet of water. The book covers conservation and restoration techniques for glass, paper, photographs, and tape; vacuum freeze drying of frozen books; fumigation and sterilization techniques; glass restoration; and preventive disaster protection. The book contains 120 illustrations.

MAPLINE

Mapline is a quarterly newsletter published by the Smith Center for the History of Cartography at the Newberry Library in Chicago. *Mapline* contains news notes, short articles, lists of recent publications, a bibliography, conference and lecture announcements, synopses of symposia and exhibition notes. While many of the notes and announcements pertain to the midwest, the newsletter is brief and will be of interest in map collections of other areas as well.

Herbert Poole, editor, *ACADEMIC LIBRARIES BY THE YEAR 2000: ESSAYS HONORING JERROLD ORNE*. New York: R.R. Bowker Co., 205 pages, \$15.95.

This festschrift to the former University Librarian at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill focuses on the future for Academic libraries: the technological impact of programmed instruction, changes in library administration and operation, personnel needs (especially the role of women and professional training), special collections, and bibliographic standards. *Academic Libraries* is available from R.R. Bowker Co., New York.

THE ARCHIVIST'S DILEMMA

To keep or to dispose: that is the question.
 Whether 'tis nobler in the mass to store
 The forms and records of outdated bureaus,
 Or to set fire to all this sea of paper,
 And by the burning end them. To store; to keep;
 No more; and if we keep to say we end
 The crumpling, and the thousand nasty shocks
 Records are heir to; 'tis a preservation
 Devoutly to be wished. To store; to keep;
 To keep: perchance to use; ay, there's the rub;
 For in the archives' care what use may come,
 When we have records oh so ill arranged.
 Must give us pause: there's the respect
 That makes a comedy of long shelf-life.
 For who would bear the whips and scorns of time,
 The filer's fault, the typist's sloppy work,
 The pangs of provenance, NC's delay,
 Form 6710-A, and the spurns
 That the archivist from the unknowing takes,
 When he himself might his quietus make
 With one lit match? Who would fain prepare
 With a grunt and sweat a silly special list
 But that the dread of some unthought of use,
 Some really far-fetched historical need
 For aged, yellowed forms, puzzles the will
 And makes us rather keep records we have
 Than try too oft internal disposal?

. . . William Quakefear (alias Ken Thibodeau, PhD)

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"TAKE AN ARCHIVIST TO LUNCH"

"Take an Archivist to Lunch" bumper stickers are available for \$1.00 from:

The Northwest Archivists
 c/o Oregon Historical Society
 1230 SW Park Avenue
 Portland, Oregon 97205

????????????? WHERE ARE THE MARAC T-SHIRTS ??????????

COME TO BALTIMORE

Plan ahead. Jot down the City of Baltimore for MARAC's next meeting place after Fredericksburg. It is scheduled for October 20-21, 1978 in the Lord Baltimore Hotel. Adele Newburger heads up Local Arrangements and will be assisted by Marlene Hart of BRISC, Gerry Watkins of the Langsdale Library, Cynthia Requart of the Maryland Historical Society, and Julie Morgan of Johns Hopkins University. Pat Vanorny of the Maryland Hall of Records will chair the Program Committee.